## **USDA AMS Weekly Shell Egg Demand Indicator**

(Calculated estimate of demand for shell eggs based on current production and on inventory clearance rate.)

## The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is -8.00, down 0.8 points from last week.

### This Week:

Demand for shell eggs over the past week is about unchanged and continues to run sideways into the Independence Day weekend. Wholesale prices for cartoned eggs have firmed and are moving higher. Supplies are light to moderate with sufficient offerings. Trading is slow to moderate. Prices on the loose egg market are firm to higher with moderate offerings and reduced supplies. Trading is slow to moderate. Wholesale breaking stock prices are unchanged with moderate to heavy offerings and supplies. Interest varies and trading is slow to moderate. The preliminary survey of retail outlets indicates a another sharp decline in activity for both caged and specialty types from last week's pace. The average ad price is currently up from last week's level on the reduced offerings.

#### **Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock** -

U.S. table egg layer flock

Percentage flock in molt

2.1% (derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)

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Productive table egg layer flock 307,141,933 (total flock - (total flock \* molt))

## **Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -**

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table egg layer rate 82.1% (derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)

Total egg production 252,143,070 (total productive flock \* lay rate)

Total eggs into breaking stock 79,174,697 (31.40% of daily shell egg production to breakers)

Table eggs for in-shell use 172,968,372 (egg production \* (100% - % to breaking stock))

Table eggs for in-shell use (in cases)

480,468 (eggs for table use ÷ 360 eggs per case)

# Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

USDA shell egg inventory

Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock

Shell egg cases produced each day

26-week rolling average of days on hand

Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing

1,626,000 30-dozen cases (from USDA Weekly Shell Egg Inventory report)

63.0% (shell egg inventory cooperators control 63% of productive flock)

302,695 (produced by inventory cooperators' flocks (daily production \* 63%))

(756,737 cases expected weekend (2.5 days) carryover)

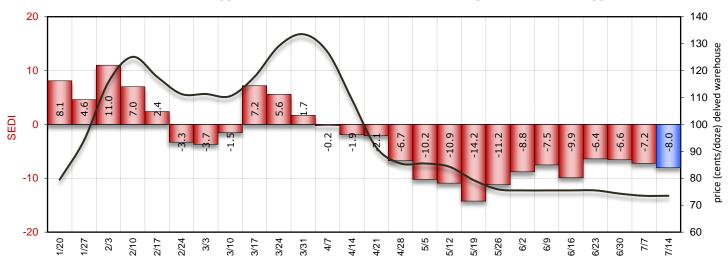
4.94 (average of the last 26 week's days of eggs on hand)

5.37 (inventory ÷ cases produced per day)

**Shell Egg Demand Indicator** 

**-8.00** ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) \* 100

## Shell Egg Demand Indicator vs. USDA Midwest Large Cartoned Shell Egg



Sources: <u>USDA NASS Monthly Chicken and Eggs (pec-bb); Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type</u> <u>USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; SHELL EGGS: Weekly Shell Egg Inventory (Mon)</u>

USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; PROCESSED EGGS: Weekly Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection (Wed)

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News 515-284-4460